

FY 2009 (7/1/08 – 6/30/09) Annual Work Plan Franklin Conservation District



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Mission of the Franklin Conservation District

The Franklin Conservation District promotes the conservation and wise use of natural resources by providing technical and financial assistance to landowners.

Natural Resource Priorities and Goals:

- To lessen the impact of agriculture on water quality and quantity.
- To lessen the impact of agriculture on air quality.
- To protect the natural resource base including range land, recreation areas, wildlife habitat, and prime farm lands through land use policy and project implementation.

Information – Education Priorities and Goals:

Carry out an active information and education program aimed at the general public, landowners, growers, and schools.

District Operations Priorities, Goals & Funding Sources:

- Conduct effective and efficient operations including accounting, grant vouchering, personnel management, Supervisor elections & appointments, training & development, annual planning and reporting.
- Funding sources: Basic Funding, District Assessment, and various other grants (see activities below for specific grant funding sources).

Program Area: Water Quality and Quantity

Goal(s): To lesson the impact of agriculture on water quality and quantity.

Funding Source(s): Various sources – See funding source column for each activity.

Activities for FY2009	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Funding Source
Conduct project funded by WCC Implementation Grant. Provide Irrigation Water Management Technical Assistance and Info/Ed	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Mark / Susan	wcc
Conduct Livestock grant project. Provide cost-share and technical assistance to livestock operations to protect water quality.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Heather	wcc
Conduct WallaWalla Basin Stratiographic Mapping Project	7/1/08 – 9/30/08	Susan	WallaWalla Watershed

			Council
Conduct Ecology Perennial Wheat grant in conjunction with WSU	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Susan	Ecology
Participate as Director for Dairy P.E. Position/Grant with ACD, BCD, MLCD, OCD, SYCD, UGCD, & WCD.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Heather / Mark	Basic and District Assessment
Revise water quality priority list, select projects, and seek funding to begin 7/09. Prepare application for October, 2008 grant cycle.	7/1/08 – 10/31/08	Board & Staff	Basic and District Assessment
Seek funding for items that expand & enhance FCD's Water Quality Programs; consider: A. Review & update water quality section of LRP (priorities) B. Soil moisture monitoring equipment for grower use:	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	FCD Staff	Unfunded
Continue to implement 4 County GWMA project:	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Staff	GWMA
Implement NRCS IWM TSP Agreement	7/1/08 – 12/31/08	Mark/Susan/Marc	NRCS/WCC
Implement NRCS CNMP TSP Agreement	7/1/08 – 12/31/09	Heather/Mark	NRCS/WCC
Provide input as requested on processing plant waste water application.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark	District Assessment
Participation with FSA & NRCS: Cost share on I.W.M./Water Quality items, EQIP, CSP. Convene Local Working Group.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Board & Mark	Basic and District Assessment
Meet with County Commissioners on water quality projects and funding.	7/1/08 –	Board & Mark	Basic and

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	6/30/09		District Assessment
Participate with other agencies on agricultural water quality complaints thru MOA.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark/Heather	District Assessment
Provide input to officials and agencies of water quality and quantity concerns from Agricultural changes in the County.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Board & Staff	District Assessment
Assist County in Implementation of HB1557, which provides Tax Exemptions on practices that benefit water quality, quantity, & wildlife habitat.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark	District Assessment
Work with County Planner, Ecology, WSDA, Board, and Staff on AFO/CAFO activities in County.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark / Heather	District Assessment & WCC Imp.
Respond to requests for water quality information on wells, water systems, wellhead protection, etc. as requested & available.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Staff	District Assessment
Stay aware of Salmon Enhancement Plans for Snake and Columbia Rivers and Hanford Reach Designation and their influence on agriculture and water quality & quantity in County.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Board & Staff	District Assessment
Continue working with SCBID on USBR water conservation and quality program; publish ET data.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark / Heather	WCC Imp.
Provide staffing for Franklin County Water Conservancy Board (.05 FTE)	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark	Inter- governmental service agreement and District Assessment.
Fulfill FCD responsibilities under State Dairy Law as funding allows.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Heather / Mark	wcc
Participate in Columbia River Water Management Program through	7/1/08 –	Mark	Unfunded

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communication with Ecology and Columbia Snake River Irrigators Association (CSRIA).	6/30/09		
Assist Columbia Snake River Irrigators Association in implementing a self-certification irrigation BMP program.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark	CSRIA and District Assessment.
Seek funding for Kahlotus Lake Watershed evaluation and restoration project.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Staff	Unfunded
Implement Franklin PUD IWM Program	7/1/08 – 9/30/09	Susan/Heather/Mark	Franklin PUD
Implement Columbia River Water Metering Program, Phase 1	7/1/08 – 2/1/09	Mark / Heather	Ecology

Program Area: Air Quality

Goal(s): To lesson the impact of agriculture on air quality.

Funding Source(s): Various sources – See funding source column for each activity.

Activities for FY2007	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Funding Source
Respond to requests on Wind Erosion/Dust Control matters.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Board and Mark	District Assessment
Implement Franklin County's agricultural burn permit program. Accept burn permit applications and issue burn permits.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Mark/Heather/Susan/Kara	Permit Fees
Explore straw mulcher./spreader, water truck - consider EPA, Ecology, WCC funding, FSA cost-share - Asparagus Growers Assn., rental co.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Board & Staff	Unfunded
Consider having mower to rent for CRP rather than burning: funding			

possibility from Ecology Burn Funds.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Board & Staff	Unfunded
Increase activity regarding heavily used gravel roads and other areas in regards to dust emissions.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Board & Staff	Unfunded
Demonstrate potential air quality benefits of using a spike wheel applicator in the dryland. Try to include this practice in EQIP cost lists under advanced nutrient management.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Board & Staff	District Assessment

Program Area: Land Use Policy and Projects

Goal(s): To protect the natural resource base including range land, recreation areas, wildlife habitat, and prime farm lands through land use policy and project implementation.

.Funding Source(s): Various sources – See funding source column for each activity.

Activities for FY2007	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Funding Source
Provide referrals for tree sales.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Staff	Unfunded
Provide technical input on Wildlife Habitat, Wetlands, as time is available.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Staff	Unfunded
Continue opposition of removal of Snake River Dams.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Board and Staff	District Assessment
Keep updated on CRP options.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Board and Staff	District Assessment
Seek funding for circle corner habitat enhancement projects.	7/1/07 – 6/30/08	Staff	Unfunded

Program Area: Information and Education

Goal(s): Carry out an active information and education program aimed at the general public, landowners, growers, and schools.

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Booth at Farm Forum - Water Quality Theme.	1/09	Board & Staff	All Water Quality Grants
Conduct Salmon in the Classroom (SIC) program in Franklin and Adams Counties and implement SIC mini-grants in Eastern Washington.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Heather	Washington Wheat Commission (WWC)
Contact State Legislators about FCD activities.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Board	District Assessment
Continue implementation and update of FCD Web site.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Heather	District Assessment
Make presentations to grower and community groups, schools, etc., on FCD and water quality. As requested & available.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Board & Staff	WCC Imp.
Obtain Media Relations Training as available.	7/1/08 - 6/30/09	Board and Staff	Unfunded
Conduct Water on Wheels, Wheat Week and Teacher Workshops throughout Eastern Washington.	7/1/08 – 8/30/09	Kara	WWC and Various Grants
Continue working with PSD to have SIC added to science curriculum as a 4 th Grade Science Kit funded by PSD.	7/1/08 – 8/30/09	Heather / Kara	District Assessment

Program Area: District Operations

Goal(s): Conduct effective and efficient operations including accounting, grant vouchering, personnel management, Supervisor elections & appointments, training & development, annual planning and reporting.

Funding Source(s): Various sources – See funding source column for each activity.

Activities for F	Y2007	Target	Person	Funding	
		Dates	Responsible	Source	

Prepare APW.	4/09	Board & Staff	District Assessment
Attend S. Central Area Meeting.	10/08	Board	District Assessment
Attend WACD Convention.	11/08	Board & Staff	WCC Imp.
Maintain contact with County (commissioners, Assessor, & Treasurer) regarding assessment; will provide FCD match for current grants.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark	District Assessment
Assist NRCS with development of PO.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark	Unfunded
Hold annual Elections and Board Review.	01/09 – 4/09	Board	District Assessment
Audit District Financial Books.	04/09	Board	Unfunded
Recruit new Associate Board Members; consider non-ag, large circle, environmental, media, commodity/crop groups; Board Members invite guest to each meeting; notice in newspaper.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Board	Unfunded
Increase expertise in BARS & Accounting procedures & software.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Tracie / Mark	Various Grants
Carry out yearly employee evaluation: salary, benefits, job performance, description, work agreement.	01/09	Board and Mark	District Assessment
Participate in training sessions needed to keep Staff up to date, particularly new staff.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Staff	Various Grants
Review with NRCS the FO staff needs and roles for NRCS & FCD staff.	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Board and Mark	Unfunded
Explore purchasing / constructing a building to house the USDS Ag. Service Center	7/1/08 – 6/30/09	Mark / Board	District Assessment

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Explore annexation of the City of Pasco into FCD boundaries.	7/1/08 –	Mark / Board	District
	6/30/09		Assessment

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FY2008 Annual Budget Franklin Conservation District

	ACTUAL 2007 - 2008	PROPOSED 2008 - 2009
<u>REVENUE</u>		
3316663 · EPA'3/GWMA	\$53,490	0
3316664 · EPA'4	\$7,716	0
3316665 · EPA 5	\$16,000	\$54,600
3316666 · EPA - WE	\$28,384	0
3316667 · EPA 6	\$272,000	\$42,800
3330503 · SRL Payment	\$158,562	\$133,646
3340317 · Perennial Wheat/Ecology	\$30,652	\$24,268
3340319 · Metering/Ecology	\$12,389	\$14,585
3340319 · GWMA/Ecology	0	\$1,000,000
3340331 · Basic Funding/WCC	\$10,700	\$10,500
3340333 · Non-Competitive Grants/WCC	\$146,366	\$90,195
3370701 · District Assessment	\$63,598	\$62,000
3370901 · Education Grant	\$15,835	\$125,000
3386010 · Inter-Gov Clerical Services	\$39,239	\$78,950
3413000 · Technical Services	\$317	\$500
3414310 · Burn Permit	\$15,888	\$12,500
3415000 ⋅ Sales	\$1,419	\$1,000
36 3611111 · B/West - Chkg Interest	\$192	\$150
3611190 · Interest - WA Invsmt Pool	\$26,390	\$18,000
3670010 · District Contribution	\$3,600	\$500
3690010 · Miscellaneous Revenue	\$2,615	\$2,500
3860001 · Sales Tax Collected	\$118	\$80
3860020 · Ecology - Admin.	\$6,656	\$3,210
3860021 · Ecology - Research	\$3,378	\$1,629
Total Revenue	915,503	\$1,676,612

	<u> ACTUAL 2007 - 2008</u>	PROPOSED 2008 - 2009
<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>		
5300020 · Benefits	\$26,145	\$35,009
531XX15 · Salaries & Wages	\$251,420	\$301,612
531XX31 · Supplies	\$637	\$10,000
531XX32 · Field Expendable Supplies	\$95	0
531XX35 · Tools & Equipment	\$24,295	\$15,000
531XX40 · Water Samples	\$1,697	\$10,000
531XX41 · Professional Services	\$368,950	\$915,843
531XX42 · Communication	\$10,084	\$10,000
531XX43 · Travel	\$6,244	\$7,000
531XX45 · Rentals & Leases	\$5,975	\$6,500
531xx46 · Insurance	\$5,377	\$5,500
531xx49 · Miscellaneous	\$8,585	\$8,500
531XX51 · Cost-Share Growers	\$46,457	\$99,228
5860010 · Burn Permit - Admin	\$1,679	\$1,800
5860011 · Burn Permit - Research	\$833	\$900
5860012 · Refund - Admin	\$1,491	0
5860013 · Refund - Research	\$746	0
5860014 · Refund - FCD	\$3,553	0
5861001 · Sales Tax Remitted	\$124	\$125
5923183 · Interest Expense	\$2,719	\$2,719
5983110 · SR Loan Funds	\$134,775	\$134,775
Total Disbursements	\$901,882	\$1,564,511